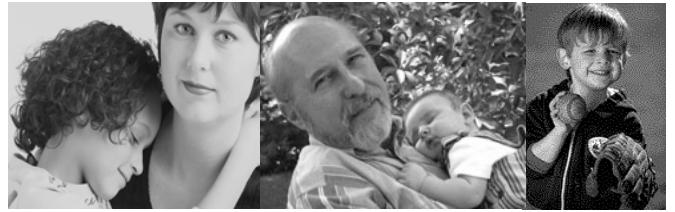




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## FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE PARENTING

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### **PRIDE: Parent's Resource for Information, Development and Education**

**PRIDE** is a model for the development and support of resource families. It is designed to strengthen the quality of family foster parenting and adoption services by providing a standardized structured framework for recruiting, preparing, and selecting foster parents and adoptive parents.

**PRIDE** is 30 hours of training for all prospective foster and adoptive families in the state of California. Through this process, the adoption home study is also completed (at no cost) for families interested in adopting special needs children.

**PRIDE** training is based on the philosophy that the value of family life for children, however family is defined, is compelling. Because of this, knowledgeable and skilled foster parents and adoptive parents are integral to providing quality services.

#### **PRIDE's goals are to help:**

1. Meet the protective, developmental, cultural and permanency needs of children placed with foster families and adoptive families.
  2. Strengthen families, whether they are families of origin, blended families, extended or kinship families, foster families, adoptive families, or tribal members.
  3. Strengthen the quality of family Foster Parenting and adoption services by providing a standardized, structured framework for pre-service training and mutual assessment.
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